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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of AVALLE

Application No. 09/800,463

Examiner: WILLIS, M.

Filed: March 08, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1617

For: COATED COSMETIC POWDER

<u>AMENDMENT</u>

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated June 04, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Amended) A cosmetic powder to which a coating is associated wherein: said powder comprises at least one of the group consisting of excipients, pigments, and spherical and non-spherical silica; and

said coating includes at least one polymer or co-polymer belonging to the poly

5 alpha hydroxy acids family, whereby said coating can interact with the skin of a wearer

when said cosmetic powder is applied to the skin.

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